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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

- Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
- Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- Specification [Total Pages **22**] (preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
- Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets **6**]
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    - i.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

Attorney Docket No.

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    - ii.  Paper
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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement  Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee)
11.  English Translation Document (if applicable)
12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1499  Copies of IDS Citations
13.  Preliminary Amendment
14.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Number	PPA 60/428,894
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## 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	2051 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053 130 Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251 55 Extension for reply within first month	
1252	410	2252 205 Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	2253 465 Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	2254 725 Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	2255 985 Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	2401 160 Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402 160 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403 140 Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453 650 Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,300	2501 650 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	470	2502 235 Design issue fee	
1503	630	2503 315 Plant issue fee	
1480	130	1480 130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	750	2809 375 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	750	2810 375 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	750	2801 375 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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## 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
20	-20** = 0	x 0	= 0
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Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
1202	18	2202 9 Claims in excess of 20
1201	84	2201 42 Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	280	2203 140 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	84	2204 42 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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